

# Hadronic Matrix Elements and the Feynman-Hellmann Theorem

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## Feynman-Hellmann Theorem

$$\frac{\partial E_\lambda}{\partial \lambda} = \left\langle \psi_\lambda \left| \frac{\partial \hat{H}_\lambda}{\partial \lambda} \right| \psi_\lambda \right\rangle$$

Relates matrix elements to variation in the spectrum

## Matrix elements on lattice

$$\frac{\partial m_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \lambda} = \langle n | J | n \rangle$$

Construct analogous derivative to access lattice matrix elements

## Effective mass

Lattice two-point correlation

$$C(t) = \sum_n Z_n^2 e^{-E_n t}$$

the ground state is approx.

$$m_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{\tau} \ln \left( \frac{C(t)}{C(t+\tau)} \right) \approx E_0$$

## Effective mass derivative

$$R(t) \equiv \frac{\partial_\lambda C(t)}{C(t)}$$

$$\partial_\lambda C(t) = - \sum_{t'} \langle N(t) J(t') \bar{N}(0) \rangle$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial m_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \lambda} \right|_{\lambda=0} = \frac{1}{\tau} [R(t) - R(t+\tau)]$$

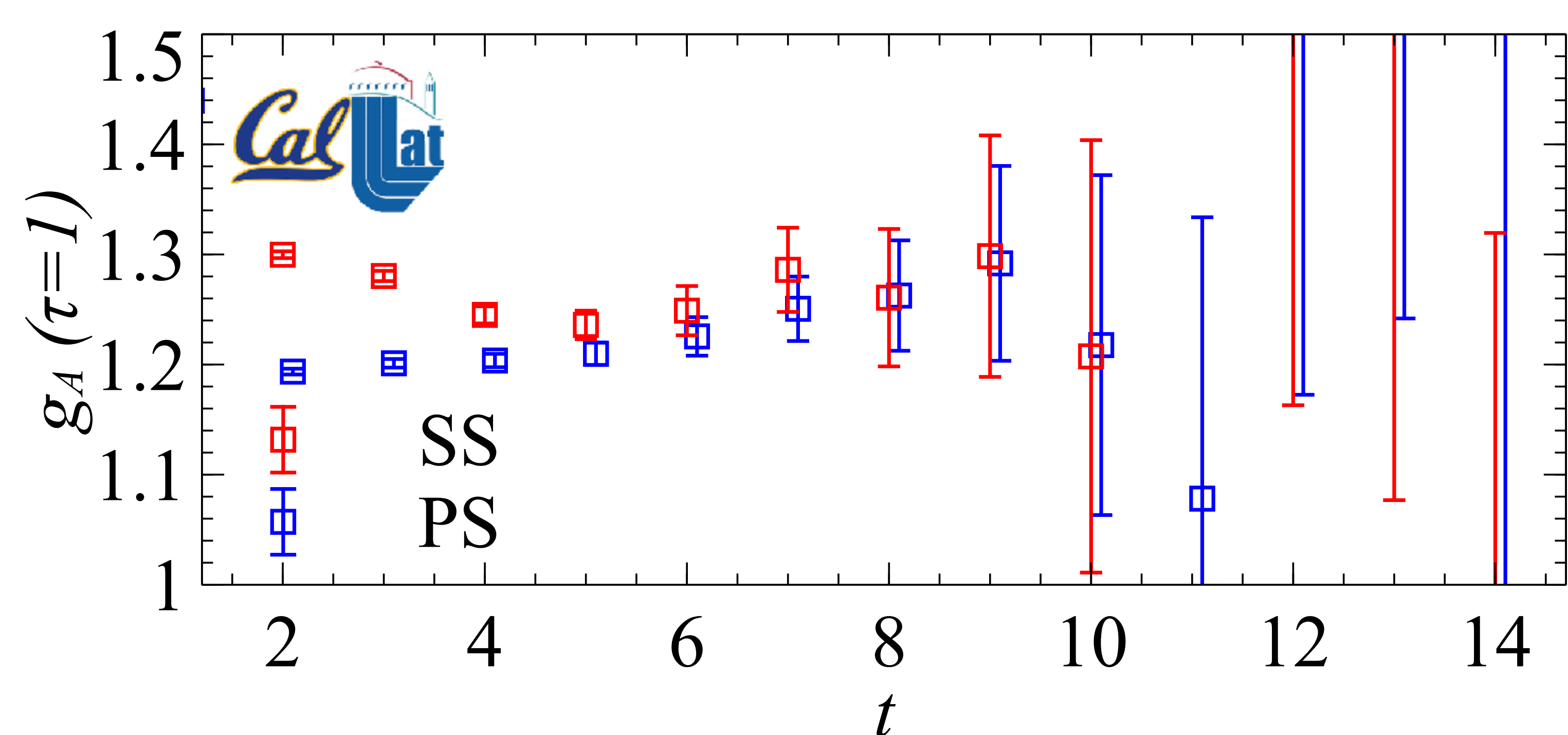
In the long time limit the derivative of the effective mass is

$$R(t) \approx (t+1)g_A + \text{constant}$$

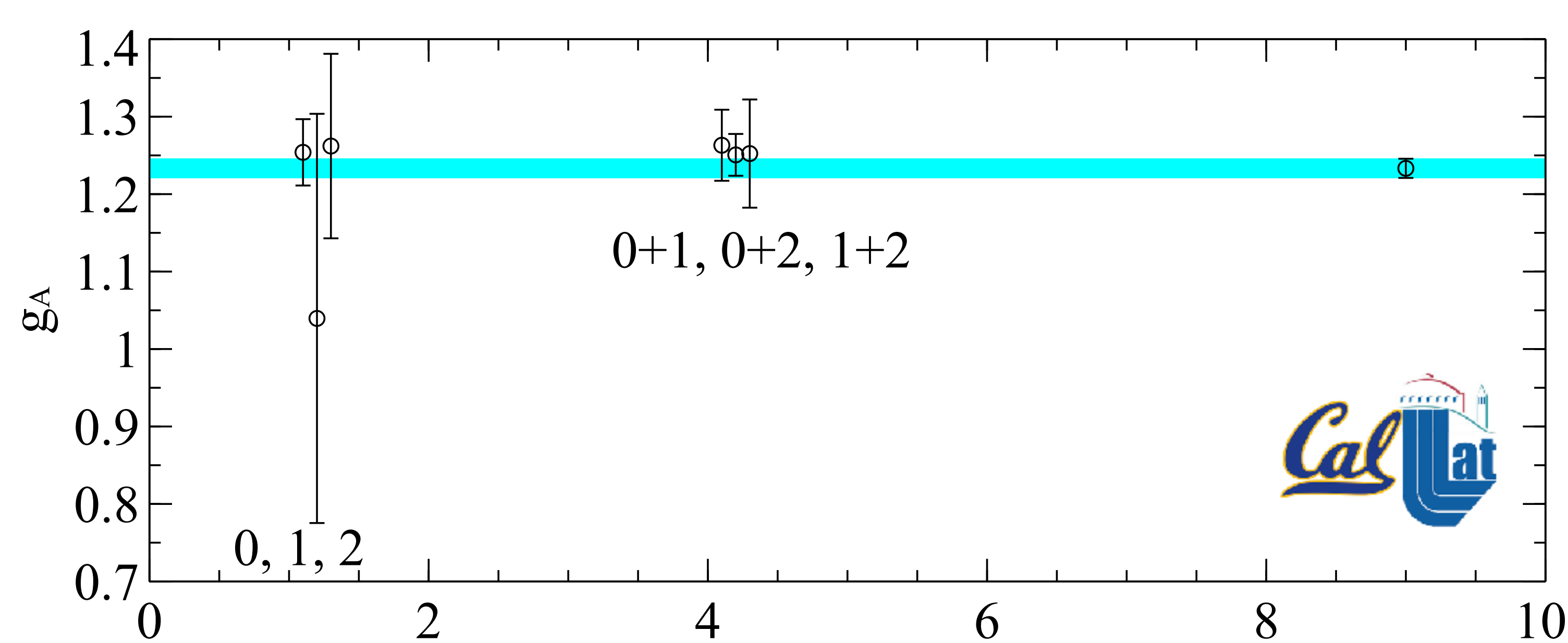
$$\frac{\partial m_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \lambda} \approx g_A + O(e^{-E_n t})$$

where  $(E_n > E_0)$

## The CalLat effort

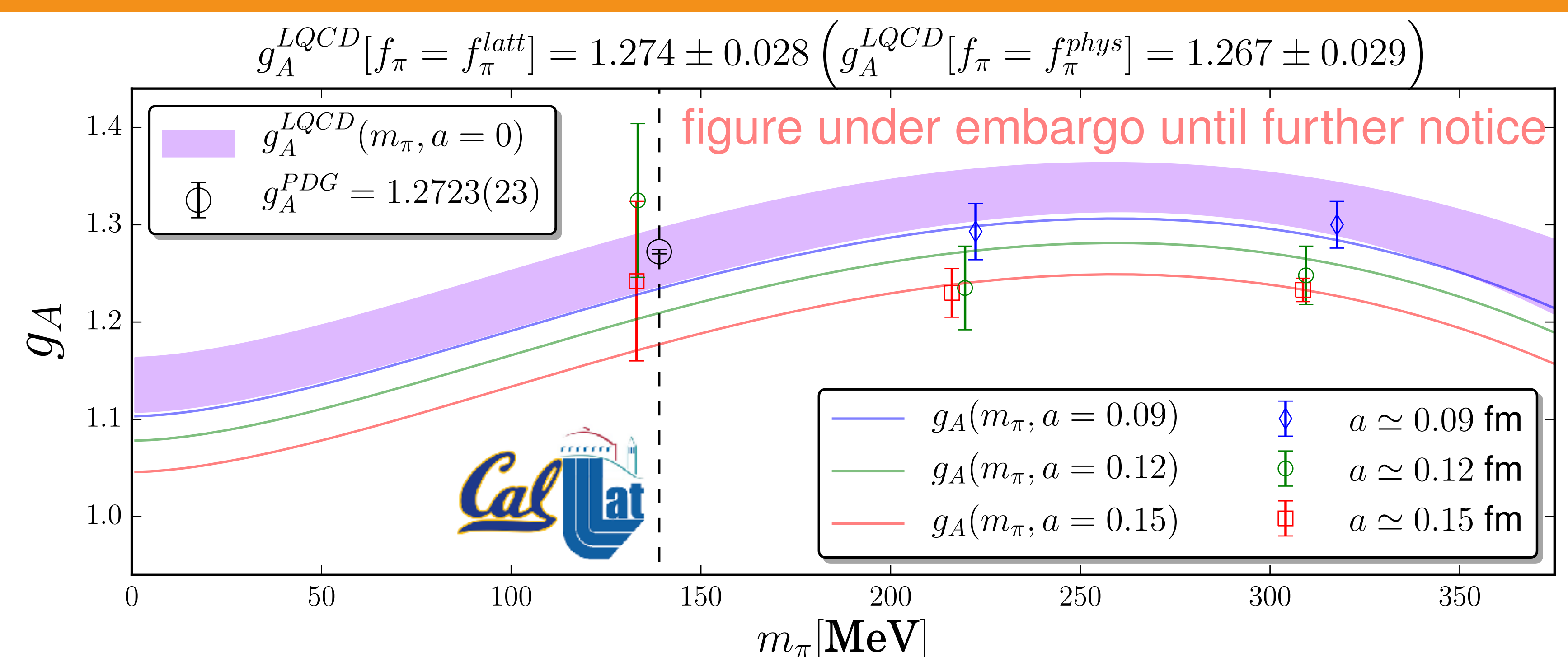


time dep. demonstrates ground state plateau at late time and exponential decay at early time

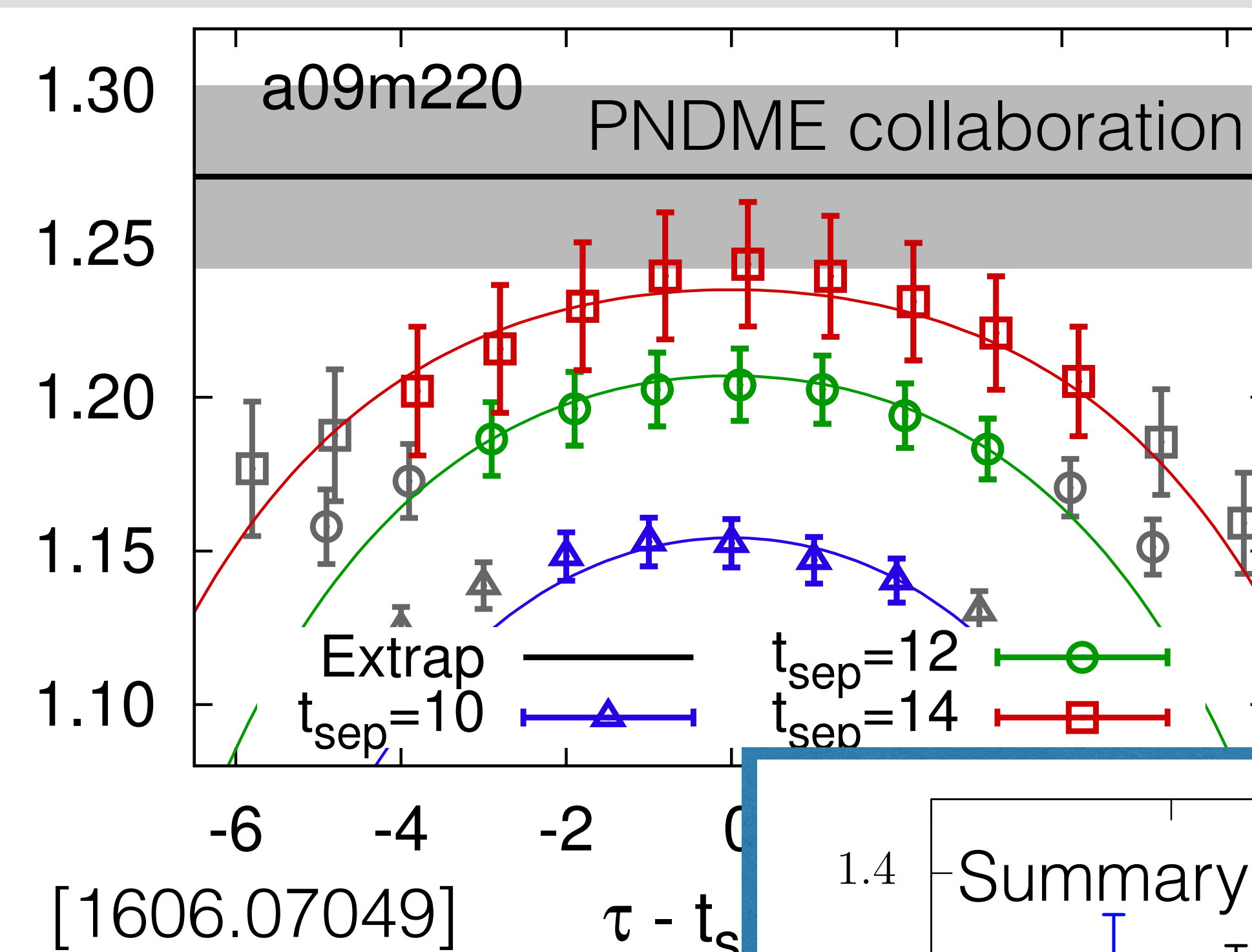


basak combinations (fht = [5,10], twopt = [6,12], nstates = 4)

fit to multiple source/sink combinations improves statistics with negligible additional computation



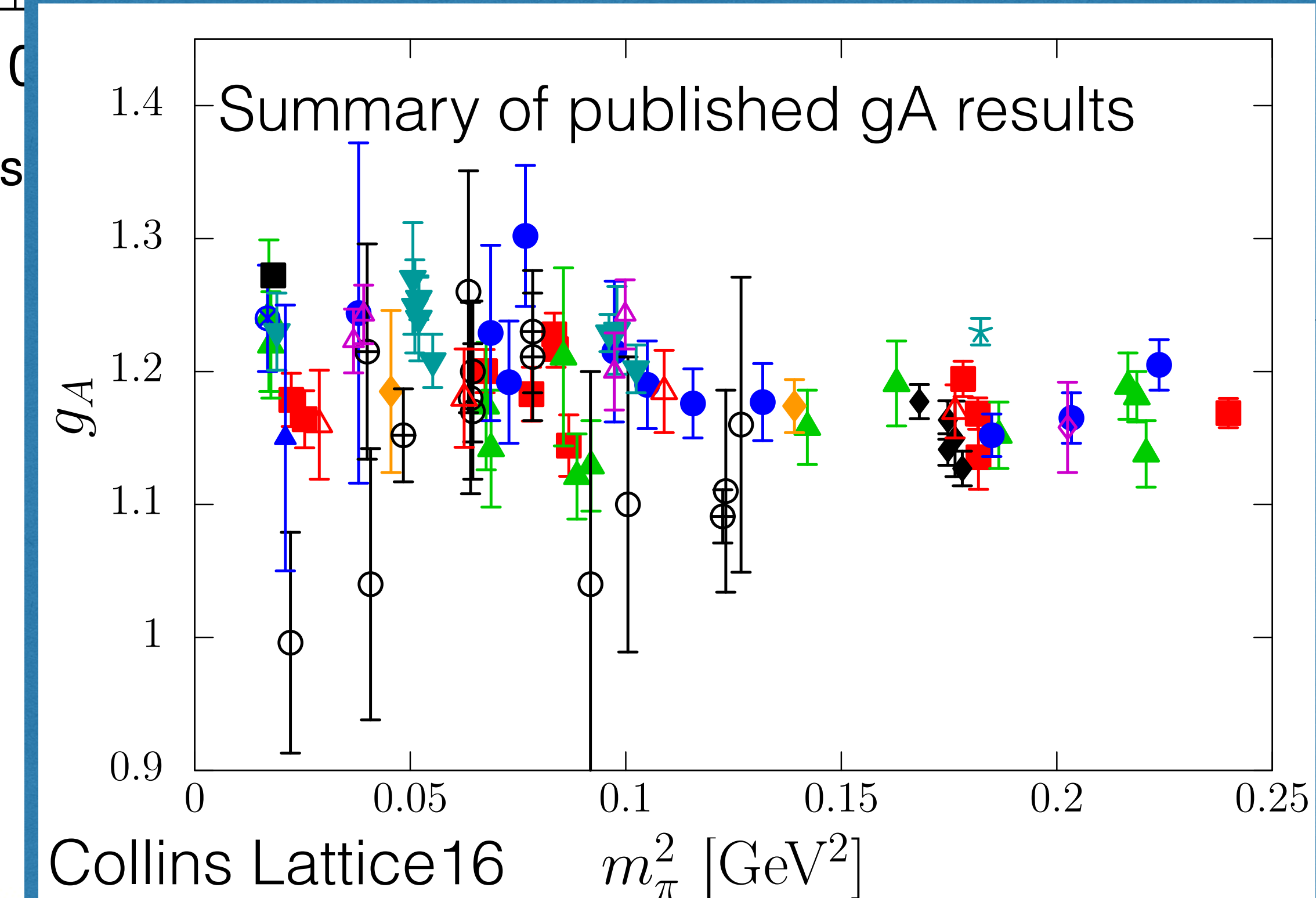
## Status of gA on the lattice



time dependence from traditional method

ground state highly contaminated by excited states

published lattice results are systematically lower than exp. or have O(10%) uncertainty



## Method summary

- time dependent systematics
- all time sep. for O(10) stat. improv.
- small time separation for **exponential** s/n improvement
- calculation cost equivalent to one time separation

